New 2017 Zoning By Law Changes: Articles 24 through 30

Height

Height - Height shall be measured using one of the following two alternative methods, the method to be determined at the discretion of the applicant: (1) the vertical distance from average original grade or finished grade, whichever is lower, of the land surrounding the footprint of the structure to the highest point of a structure or roof of a building. The average height shall be measured starting at one corner of the structure measuring the height of the structure to the highest point above grade, and measurements shall be taken every 10 linear feet. The height limit under this method is 35 feet. For purposes of this alternative, original grade shall be defined as the grade of the lot before any regrading, demolition or development begins. If an existing structure is to be demolished, the original grade shall be the grade determined prior to demolition of the structure. If there is no existing structure on the property, the natural grade of the property, prior to any modification, shall be considered the original grade; except in new subdivisions where the original grade shall mean the approved and recorded grade; or (2) the height of the structure measured from a single point in the street centerline which is the average elevation of the highest 1/3 of the property's street frontage. The height limit under this method is 32 feet.

Downhill Lot Height Measurement Example

Uphill Lot Height Measurement Example